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40	National Jute Manufacturers Corporation Ltd.	144.21	West Bengal
41	Brushware Ltd.	0.03	Uttar Pradesh
42	The British India Corpn. Ltd.	17:51	Uttar Pradesh
43	The Elgin Mills Co. Ltd.	31·50	Uttar Pradesh
44	National Handloom Development Corporation Ltd.	4·14	Uttar Pradesh
45	Cawpore Textiles Ltd.	2·89	Uttar Pradesh
46	Vayudoot	18·45	Delhi
47	Airline Allied Services Ltd.	0·25	Delhi
48	Hooghly Dock & Port Engineers Ltd.	8·68	West Bengal
49	Hindustan Packaging Co. Ltd.	*	Gujarat
50	South Eastern Coalfields Ltd.	*	Madhya Pradesh
51	Northern Coalfields Ltd.	*	Madhya Pradesh
	Total	5597·91	

*Being new companies the audited final accounts are not yet available.

Synthetic concentrates

885. SHRI DHARAM CHANDER PRASHANT: Will the Minister of INDUSTRY be pleased to state:

(a) whether the synthetic concentrate sales of the Punjab Agro-Pepsi proposal are estimated to be Rs. 15 crores in the 5th year;

(b) whether the imports estimated are Rs. 3.2 crores which has a import duty of 200 per cent making the total value of imports Rs. 9.6 crores (67 per cent of sales value);

(c) what is the provision for ingredients to be used from India, processing charges, advertising, administration etc.;

(d) whether there is any mistake in the estimated value of imports or does it include Royalty, Goodwill etc.; and

(e) since there is an investment of Rs. 5.5 crores in the plant, what manufacturing process is taking place when the imports are 66 per cent of the sales?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT IN THE MINISTRY OF INDUSTRY (SHRI M. ARUNACHALAM): (a) The soft drink concentrate sales in the 5th year of operation are estimated at Rs. 15.3 crores. The concentrates include not only "Cola" drinks, but also a variety of flavours based on natural fruit juice, soya, tea, etc.

(b) and (c) The total imported value of raw materials (not produced indigenously) in the 5th year would be Rs. 3.2 crores. With import duties and local value added, the ex-factory value of prouction is estimated at Rs. 15.3 crores, the break-up being as under:—

	Rs. (Crores)
Imported raw materials (CNF)	3.2
Local value added	6.3
Ex-factory value; excluding import duty	9.5
Import duty (at 180%)	5.8
Total ex-factory value of production	15.3

All other expenses such as advertising and administration are not included in the ex-factory value of production.

(d) There is no payment of royalty, goodwill, etc. However, a one time lump sum payment of Rs. 1 crore will be made for technical services for the entire project including of all operations such as fruit and vegetable processing, potato and grain processing, etc.

(e) According to the proposal of Punjab Agro Industries Corporation, the manufacture of high quality soft drink concentrates requires that the process takes place under strictly enforced and regulated sanitary conditions involving continuous microbiological, chemical and procedural surveillance. The manufacturing process includes the blending, heating, heat reduction, homogenization and micro filtration of materials which have been subjected to critical analytical testing prior to approval for use.

Indo-USSR venture for solar power plant

886. SHRI MUKHTIAR SINGH MALIK:
SHRIMATI RENUKA CHOWDHURY:

Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that USSR and Indian Scientists have been working on a joint venture to set up a solar power plant at Uzbekistan in USSR for supply of power to remote villages there; if so, what are the details thereof

(b) whether such a plant will also be set up in India for the supply of power to remote villages in the country; and

(c) if so, by when such a plant is likely to be set up in India?

THE MINISTER OF ENERGY AND THE MINISTER OF STEEL AND MINES (SHRI VASANT SATHE): (a) to (c) Scientists from India and USSR are working on a cooperative project for development of an autonomous solar power plant using solar concentrators and Stirling engine. The USSR scientists have intimated development of a small 500 watt capacity Stirling engine working with the solar concentrator which has been set up by them for trial purposes there. The part of the project relating to solar concentrator design has gone from India. A similar unit is proposed to be set up in India for experimetal purposes. This is purely a research and development project and not a joint venture to supply power to villages in Uzbekistan.

Progress of modernisation programme

887. SHRI PARVATHANENI UPENDRA: Will the Minister of ENERGY be pleased to refer to the answer to Unstarred Question 1479 given in the Rajya Sabha on the 9th March, 1987 and state:

(a) what are the main objectives for undertaking renovation and modernisation programme and whether any progress has so far been made to improve the plant load factor of the existing thermal power stations; and

(b) if so, what are the details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE DEPARTMENT OF POWER IN THE MINISTRY OF ENERGY (SHRIMATI SUSHILA ROHATGI): (a) and (b) The main objective of undertaking the Centrally sponsored renovation and modernisation programme is to optimise the generation from the existing thermal power stations in the country. The programme is still under implementation and it is envisaged that on completion, the average Plant Load Factor of Thermal Stations where the programme is being implemented would increase from about 41 per cent to about 53 per cent. There has been improvement in the Plant Load Factor in some of the thermal power stations where substantial renovation works have been carried out, the details of which are given in the enclosed Statement.